

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS  
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## Banks.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK  
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ..... £2,000,000.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... £500,000.

LONDON :  
Head Office ..... 40, Threadneedle Street.  
West End Office ..... 25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN  
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,  
BUYS AND SELLS BILLS OF EXCHANGE,  
ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, FORWARDS BILLS FOR  
COLLECTION, and TRANSMITS BANKING' and  
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had  
on application.

E. W. RUTTER,  
Manager.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital ..... £1,000,000.  
Subscribed Capital ..... £500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors :—  
D. Gilles, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. W. Wotton, Esq.  
C. J. Hirst, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.  
Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN  
LONDON :—  
THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq.—Messrs. Dent,  
Palmer & Co.  
JOHN BUTTERY, Esq.—Messrs. John Butter &  
Co.  
C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.  
GEO. MUNRO, Manager.

Bankers :—  
London : The Alliance Bank (Ld.)  
Scotland : The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE,  
His Ex Hsia Fu Yuan, Lin Kwan King, Esq.  
Ma Kie Tchong, Esq. Chu Ming Shan, Esq.  
Tong Kwei Sung, Esq.  
C. J. GALLOWAY, Manager.

AMOY—J. ANDERSON, Manager.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened. Money  
received on Deposit, Drafts issued, Bills  
purchased and collected. Advances made on  
Securities or goods in neutral Godowns. Usual  
Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.  
" " " 4 "  
" " 3 "  
CHINA ACCOUNTS 2 "

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply  
to the Manager.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1892.

## INCURANCES.

THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE OF 64 YEARS  
STANDING, AND ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST  
AND MOST PROGRESSIVE OF THE PROV-  
IDENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNITED  
KINGDOM.

THE Standard has a long record of good  
services to refer to in Funds, annually  
increasing, amount to £1,000,000. The  
Premiums are moderate; and all modern features  
consistent with safety have been adopted.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE  
INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES on  
favourable terms.

Current rates and a guaranteed Bonus equal  
to that paid by the local Offices.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,  
Agents,  
No. 2, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1892.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY  
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... £1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,  
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,  
Secretary,  
HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 7, Queen's Road West,  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1892.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL—TAELS 600,000. £83,333.33.  
EQUAL TO ..... £83,333.33.  
RESERVE FUND ..... £315,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS,  
LAI SING, Esq. LO YUEN MOON, Esq.  
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the  
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1891.

## Intimations.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the  
Military Authorities that ARTILLERY  
PRACTICE will take place from the Batteries  
at Stone-cutters' Island from the 7th January  
till the end of the month, between the hours of  
8 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily, SATURDAYS and  
SUNDAYS excepted.

The line of fire will be in Westerly and South-  
Westerly directions from the Batteries.

All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are  
cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command, W. M. GOODMAN,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 31st December, 1891.

### NOTICE.

THE Master and Agents of the Steamship  
"TEVIO" will not be RESPONSIBLE for  
any DENTS contracted by the Officers or Crew  
during the vessel's stay in this port.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1892.

### LOST.

A SMALL Black-and-Tan Terrier bitch,  
answers to name of "VIC". Please  
communicate with the Undersigned. Reward  
if required.

JOHN J. FRANCIS,  
Bank Buildings,  
Hongkong, 25th January, 1892.

### CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 43.

THE CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS  
will be observed at this Office and the  
Kowloon Customs Stations, from the 29th of  
the 12th moon to the 6th day of the 1st moon, at  
8 a.m. (29th January to 4th February), and  
during that period all Shipment, Discharge, and  
Examination of Cargo will be suspended.

J. MCLEAVY BROWN,  
Commissioner of Customs  
for Kowloon & District.

Customs House,  
Kowloon, 20th January, 1892.

### NOTICE.

FROM Pedder's Hill, a FOX TERRIER  
DOG PUPPY.

The Finder will oblige by returning it to the  
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" Office.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1892.

### NOTICE.

No. 43.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the CHINA  
AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,  
intend to exercise the powers  
conferred on them by their Articles of Association  
with respect to Shares Nos. 1416/1485,  
79 Old Shares; and Nos. 105/1065, 2944/3053,  
and 3068/3083, to New Shares; and that pur-  
chasers of them will take the same subject to  
such liens and its consequences.

SHAW & CO.,  
General Managers.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1892.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-first Ordinary Half-annual  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the  
Company will be held at the Office of the  
Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road  
Central, on FRIDAY, the 29th Instant, at 12  
o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a  
Report of the Directors, together with a State-  
ment of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and  
electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 16th to 29th inclusive.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
T. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1892.

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS  
AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG,  
INCORPORATED.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

THE First Annual General MEETING of the  
MEMBERS of this INSTITUTION will be held  
at the Rooms, No. 16, Praya Central,  
on the Evening of SATURDAY, the 30th  
January, 1892, at 9 o'clock p.m., to receive and  
pass the Report and Statement of Accounts for  
the year ended December 31st, 1891.

W. H. WALKER,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1892.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON  
WHARF AND GODOWN  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifth Ordinary Annual MEETING  
of SHAREHOLDERS in the above  
Company will be held at the Company's  
Office, No. 18, Praya Central, at 12 o'clock  
(Noon), on SATURDAY, the 6th February next,  
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors with a Statement of Accounts to 31st  
December, 1891.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from 28th to January 6th  
February, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1892.

THE PUBLIC PROTECTION FUND.

NOTICE TO SYMPATHISERS.

As there appears to be some misunderstanding  
and respect to the above  
Fund I have to state that I shall be happy to  
receive any sum which friends, sympathisers and  
supporters of Mr. R. FRASER-SMITH may feel  
disposed to contribute towards defraying the  
damages and costs incurred by the defendant in  
the recent libel suit, *Attwinkel v. Fraser-Smith*.

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HEAD OFFICE,  
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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1891.

## Intimations.

### CRUICKSHANK & CO., LTD.

FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

### Commission Agents.

### WINTER REQUISITES.

CRUICKSHANK'S Cough Balsam.

Do. Balsamic Cough Lozenges.

Do. Cod Liver Oil Emulsion.

Do. Chlorate of Potash Tablets.

CRUICKSHANK'S Glycerine Jelly.

Do. Lip Salve.

Do. Camphor Ice.

Do. Vaseline Camphor Ice.

CHEST PROTECTORS, Single and Double.

INHALERS, GODFREY'S COCHIL'S, &c., &c.

CORK MATS, for use in Bathroom.

HOT WATER BOTTLES, &c., &c.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1892.

### W. POWELL & CO.

### BLANKETS,

### BLANKETS,

### BLANKETS.

### TRAVELLING REQUISITES,

PORTMANTEAUX, OVERLAND TRUNKS, GLADSTONE BAGS, &c., &c.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1892.

### W. POWELL & CO.

### BLANKETS,

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For Sale.

IMPORTANT INTIMATION.

NOW READY.

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THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST, A DIRECTORY AND WORK OF REFERENCE ON ALL IMPORTANT LOCAL SUBJECTS FOR HONGKONG, MACAO, CHINA, JAPAN, THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SIAM, INDO-CHINA, NORTH BORNEO, THE PHILIPPINES, AND COREA, FOR THE YEAR 1892.

PRICE THREE DOLLARS.

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY has again been enlarged and will be found

THE CHEAPEST, MOST COMPLETE, AND ONLY RELIABLE WORK OF THE KIND PUBLISHED IN THE FAR EAST.

THE above-named work, published at the Office of "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH," contains a Directory for the Ports in the large portion of Asia between Penang, in the Straits Settlements, and the Northern Chinese Ports, including Vladivostock, Formosa, the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, Cochin-China, the Philippine Islands, Corea, British North Borneo, the British Colony of Hongkong, and the Portuguese Colony of Macao. It also contains the Principal Treaties between European countries and the United States and the countries East of the Straits, including the Treaties and Conventions between China and Great Britain, France, Germany, Russia, the United States of America, Brazil, Japan, Peru, Spain, and Portugal; together with conditions of Trade, and the Port, Customs, Consular, and Harbour Regulations for the Ports of China and Japan; also descriptions of the various Ports, with the latest Trade Statistics taken from the Reports of the Imperial Maritime Customs and other reliable sources.

The various Governments and Municipal Corporations, and all Public Bodies and Companies, Bankers, Merchants, Consuls, Professional men, and other Residents, have supplied the necessary matter, upon forms specially sent for that purpose so as to ensure accuracy. The Naval and Military portions have been taken from the latest published official lists and revised at Head-quarters; in fact, no pains have been spared to make "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1892 a handy and perfectly reliable book of reference for all classes.

In addition to the information enumerated above "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1892 contains a carefully revised INDEX TO THE ORDINANCES OF HONGKONG;

A SPECIAL LIST OF FOREIGNERS employed in Steamers making short voyages from Hongkong;

THE PRIVATE RESIDENCES of the Principal Government Officials, the Leading Merchants, the Foreign Consuls, Professional Men, Justices of the Peace, &c.

A LADIES DIRECTORY FOR HONGKONG. The latest and only reliable

PLAN OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, showing the proposed Reclamations and all recent additions and improvements, AND

A Mass of interesting information on various subjects, culled from the most trustworthy sources.

THE WINNERS of all IMPORTANT RACES at HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW, and AMOY, with times, and other interesting particulars, carefully compiled from the most reliable sources, make "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST," a *vade mecum* for all classes of sportsmen.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1892 is Printed on a superior quality of Paper, and is the best printed and most handsomely bound volume ever published East of the Suez Canal.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST," in order that it may circulate extensively outside this Colony, is published at a POPULAR PRICE, and can be ordered at This Office, or through any of our Agents at the various Ports, for THREE DOLLARS.

There is not space in the compass of an Ordinary Advertisement to detail all the information introduced into the work, but it may be fairly asserted that no such Directory has ever been published, either in Hongkong or any other part of the East, at such a low price.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" offers Special Advantages as an Advertising Medium. It has an extensive circulation in all Ports between Singapore and Newchwang, in the Australasian Colonies, the United States, and the United Kingdom, and the scale of charges has been fixed at an exceptionally low rate. Terms can be learned on application.

Suggestions for the improvement of this work are respectfully solicited.

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"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH," PAINTER'S HILL, HONGKONG. Hongkong, 26th January, 1892.

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED, CHEMISTS, &c.  
COD LIVER OIL JELLY.

THIS is a sweet and exceedingly palatable Jelly easily retained and digested by the most delicate stomach. Children speedily grow fond of it and ask for more, and although it contains 50 per cent of the purest Cod Liver Oil, all its taste and flavour is entirely covered.

In glass jars at 7c. Cent.

COD LIVER OIL, "GENUINE," NORWEGIAN.

This is without exception the finest oil that can be produced. Great care is taken in selecting healthy livers only in its manufacture, and as we buy direct from the manufacturer, we are able to guarantee it "Genuine."

Per bottle, 75 Cents and \$1.25.

COD LIVER OIL, EMULSION.

A form in which the oil may be taken without difficulty by delicate patients and children.

Per bottle, \$1.

COD LIVER OIL EMULSION WITH HYDROPHOSPHITES (Lime and Soda).

A combination of great value in wasting diseases, especially of the Chest and Respiratory Organs.

Per bottle, \$1. Per dozen \$10.

BALSAM OF ANISEED AND LIQUORICE.

For the relief of all catarrhal complaints, such as Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness and Soreness of the Chest, &c.

In bottles, 50 Cents and \$1.

BALSAMIC COUGH LOZENGES.

A never failing remedy for Coughs.

In bottles, 50 Cents.

Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

AMERICAN CHEROOTS.

These CHEROOTS, made from a fine selected quality of PENNSYLVANIAN TOBACCO LEAF, are mild, well matured, of excellent flavour, and will be found equal to Havanas. They are meeting with much favour in the Colony as an agreeable change from the usual Manila Cigar, and we confidently recommend them to the notice of Smokers.

PRICE \$1.50 per Box of 250.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

PORTS, SHERRIES, CLARETS, BRANLY, SCOTCH WHISKY, IRISH WHISKY, BOURBON WHISKY, GIN AND RUM.

Our avarite and well-known Brands of the above are bought direct from the most noted shippers, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices. We shall be pleased to furnish full particulars and price lists on application.

CLAY'S FERTILIZER.

A high class fertilizer for pot plants and for use in the garden generally: it supplies natural nourishment to the soil, and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the plants to attain to their full size, vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10lb each,....\$1.50

do Bags do 25lb do .....\$4.00

Directions for use are given on the label.

RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS" LAWN MOWERS.

The best and cheapest Machines in the market, for sale at manufacturers' prices.

LAWN GRASS SEED.

SWEET CORN SEED.

A fresh supply of the above just received.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1892.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1892.

TELEGRAMS.

DIPLOMATIC CHANGES.

LONDON, January 23rd.

Lord Vivian has been appointed Ambassador at Rome, and Sir Edmund J. Monson, Minister at Brussels. Sir Edwin Henry Egerton, now at Paris, has been appointed Minister to Athens.

ILLNESS OF THE POPE.

His Holiness the Pope is indisposed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE U.S. Monarchy has gone on a cruise up the Yangtze.

A JAPANESE paper says that the steamship *Hatsuhō*, formerly the *Shima Maru*, is to be turned into an armed cruiser for the Korean Government.

INTELLIGENCE was received in Wuhu the other day of the death at Hankow of Commander R. D. B. Bruce of H.M.S. *Swift*, from inflammation of the lungs.

We are informed by the Agent of the Messageries Maritimes Co. that the Company's steamer *Calypso*, with the next French mail, left Saigon at 7 a.m. to-day, for this port.

A REGULAR meeting of the Victoria Preceptory will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

It is stated that the majority of the Shanghai cricketers who are coming down to play the Hongkong C. C. will leave Shanghai by the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malwa* on Saturday next.

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It has been truly said that it is often easier for a man to complete a round of pleasure than it is for him to make things square afterwards.

A FIRE occurred at No. 16, Concession, Kobe, on the 17th inst., a small section of the roof being burnt. The building was insured in the China Fire Insurance Company.

The creditors of a Melbourne "legal manager" accepted the other week a composition of one penny in the £. As an instance of smart legal management this is worthy of special notice.

ENGLAND is no doubt a "bust-up" country, but she can still claim pre-eminence in one thing. An American contemporary admits that London has the greatest Zoological Gardens in the world.

The Wife (three a.m.)—"When you married me, did you not promise to love, cherish, and protect me?"

The Husband (sleepily)—"Yes."

The Wife—"Well then, get up, light the gas and kill that mosquito."

A TERRIBLE and disastrous fire occurred in Tokyo a serious fire has occurred, in which some fifty houses suffered partial or total destruction.

GOVERNOR ROBINSON's address to the Legislative Council yesterday has been generally very favorably commented on.

THE barometer is falling steadily, and the weather is cloudy, thick, and hot, like a day in August rather than January. Is a typhoon coming?

A TERRIBLE and disastrous fire occurred in Shinkawa, Japan, on the 9th inst. Several hundred houses were destroyed, including several public buildings.

THE Yokohama Agency of the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris was closed on the 8th inst. The Yokohama Specie Bank has taken over the Comptoir's business at Yokohama.

We are informed that Captain Archibald has been appointed to the command of the *Empress of China*, and will join her in Japan; meanwhile the chief officer, Mr. Pybus, is acting captain.

CAPTAIN A. TILLET, who has been in command of the Canadian Pacific Company's River Express of China for some time, now holds office as Marine Superintendent of the Company at this port.

At the annual meeting of the "United Mark" Lodge, No. 419, E.C., held on the 25th instant, Brother John Bryant was elected Worshipful Master, Bro. J. R. Grimble, Treasurer, and Bro. J. Maxwell, Tyler for the ensuing year.

No more Englishmen live to tell the story of Waterloo. Lord Albermarle, General Whitchurch and Colonel Hewitt, the three survivors who celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of the battle in June, 1805, are now dead, and the famous Waterloo list at the British War Office has been closed.

A CURIOUS fact revealed by the figures of the recent census is that, while there are in the United States three cities of over 1,000,000 inhabitants each, one of between 800,000 and 900,000, three of between 400,000 and 500,000 each, and nine of between 200,000 and 300,000 each, there is not a single one having between 300,000 and 400,000 inhabitants.

We are indebted to the courtesy of the Inspector General of the Imperial Maritime Customs for a very interesting publication giving a reliable list of the light-houses, light-vessels, buoys and beacons on the coast of China. This work has been corrected up to the 1st December, 1891, and ought to be in the hands of the masters and officers of every ship navigating the China Sea.

SHOULD that much-vaunted Northern mine really prove as big a sham as it now appears to be, the Queensland Government, remarks the Sydney *Bulletin*, might do worst than appoint in the interests of honest mining, a commission of enquiry with power to inspect the bank-accounts of all Government officials and other persons who have been mixed up with its launching and putting.

TIKES must be at hand in Queensland as they are in Hongkong. Brisbane is thus described— "Scores of empty-shops in the main street; bars and billiard-rooms silent and vacant; visiting business surrounded by swarming cadgers; bawlers and debt-collectors undisputed monarchs of the hour; heat and stillness overpowering; Ministers of the Crown either absent on tour or skulking in back alleys; even Governor Norman, when he does venture outside Government House grounds, takes the secluded small streets for his peregrinations."

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary says that the China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Pekin*, having been thoroughly overhauled and strengthened, has been placed on the Shanghai-Ningpo run. Some alterations have been made in the engine department and she has been supplied with 160 electric lights. It is worthy of note that there were three local steamers alongside the French concession wharves yesterday that have been supplied with the electric light, namely the *Pekin*, *Ngankin* and *Kiangtien*.

A FEW months ago Bernard Schmitz, a substantial German farmer of Aitchison county, Kan., concluded to go back to Germany after an absence of twenty-three years. When he arrived in the old country he was arrested as a deserter from the Prussian army and is now serving under the Emperor as a soldier. Schmitz is a prosperous and highly respected man, and has a wife in Aitchison county. Is it any wonder in the face of such ridiculous tyranny as this that Socialism has become a great power in Germany?

OUR estimable evening contemporary thinks that because the troops at Tamar and Hsimayala are timed to arrive at Singapore on the 9th and 10th of next month respectively, "there will be racing all the way." It may be taken for granted that, on the contrary, there will be no racing at all, "driving strictly prohibited on board Her Majesty's troops unless under special instructions issued in time of war or imminent disaster of some kind." The idea of troopers laden with soldiers racing!

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WE have to acknowledge receipt of Melville John's "Foggy Directory" for 1892, a useful publication that contains a list of commercial houses in Japan and Corea, the Japanese Government Departments, the Japanese Peers, an alphabetically arranged list of foreign residents in Japan and Corea, together with a mass of other interesting information and a lithographed plan of Yokohama. This annual publication has greatly improved of late years. It is clearly printed and generally well got up, and as it is published at the reasonable price of \$2, it should command a ready sale throughout the Far East.

WITH reference to the complimentary benefit to be given in the Theatre Royal, City Hall, tomorrow night to Mr. W. Walsh, it will be seen from the amended programme in another column that Mr. Walsh has secured the valuable assistance of the String Band of the 1st Shropshire Light Infantry, which will no doubt materially enhance the attractions of the entertainment. The Scottish selections from Bonn's "Robert Bruce" include several well known airs which are especially appropriate to the recent departure of our friends from the Far East.

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The Supreme Court of Illinois in its decision in the case of a man who sued a Bohemian paper for calling him an Anarchist, declared that "Anarchist" is an actionable word, when used of a person, as " thief" would be, and that it is for the paper using the word to prove the individual thus designated is an Anarchist or a thief, or pay damages.

"BROWNS" admitted in his last night's issue that his share list was *crushed out*. Well, all we have to say on the subject is that it might be to the advantage of the *Sadler's* one reader were the "crushing out" kept on for a while and the space filled with some original matter, or a rehash of some of the *Telegraph's* news items. That would show enterprise at least.

SAYS the *Sydney Bulletin*:—Now that the legal professions have been amalgamated in Victoria by Act of Parliament, the old, hard-shell barristers are taking violent steps to preserve what they call their "status." They have formed a solemn league and covenant, described by themselves as the "Bar Association of Victoria," and by other people, no doubt, as the Devil's Ring, the members of which pledge themselves to have no dealings with any solicitor who practises as a barrister as provided by the Act, and not to recognise or consult or associate in any capacity with any barrister who also acts as a solicitor, or who accepts briefs from any boycotted solicitor. In other words, the league is an illegal association, formed to violently abrogate an Act of Parliament, to interfere with the liberty of the subject, and to intimidate men while in pursuit of their lawful calling. Under a certain Act of George IV., which is always raked up when workmen instead of barristers practise intimidation and go on the boycott, a good many leading legal authorities are now liable to be seized by the police and sent to break road-metal in Pentridge, and doubtless that code which hits the rich and the poor alike will look after them promptly.

#### SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
(Before Mr. Fielding Clarke, *Justina Judge*.)

January 26th.

**THE NOBLE ART OF TIPPING THE WINE.**  
In the suit Tang Shih against Mok Koon Fuk, plaintiff (a woman) sought to recover from defendant, who is a comprador to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, certain jewellery which she stated had been given her by her mother, when dying, and entrusted to defendant only for safe keeping. Mr. Dennis was for plaintiff and Mr. Gedge for defendant.

The plaintiff described with great minuteness the scene at the death-bed of her mother, when the property was given to her, and her sister gave corroborative evidence. The defendant claimed that the jewels all belonged to him, and that the death-bed story was an invention. The two women were closely cross-examined by Mr. Gedge and the Court, as to the details of the story, and especially the manner in which the mother handed over the jewels.

His Lordship asked where the old woman had the jewels—in her pocket, or in a box, or a bag, or where?

She had them inside her jacket, and put her hand in—so (showing).

His Lordship:—I notice she is putting her hand just where Mr. Dennis is putting his.

Mr. Dennis assured the Court that he only put his hand inside his coat after the witness did so.

His Lordship:—Well, I saw you do it, Mr. Dennis, though I am sure you did not mean to do anything intentionally; but I saw you do it, and then I saw the witness imitate it. It is very objectionable to me.

Mr. Dennis reiterated his protest that he would never think of working the pantomime racket or prompting his witness, and his action was subsequent to hers.

His Lordship:—I saw you do it, I did not see her do it before you, but I saw her do it afterwards. Of course, I don't mean that you meant anything.

On further cross-examination it was clear that the witnesses were lying as hard as the best lawyers in the Colony, and Judgment was given for defendant, with costs.

#### A FRAUDULENT CONTRACT.

In the suit Chan Tong against L. J. Hollam, plaintiff, a contractor, sought to recover \$1,000 for work done under a contract at the Poholam Sanitarium of the French Missionaries, Evangélique. The defense was that the contract was fraudulently obtained, the plaintiff had represented himself to be the agent of a well known Chinese contractor, and on the strength of his name had got the contract. The work was not finished, and on the Father's discovering the fraud they declined to allow the contract to bind them. Judgment was given for defendants with costs.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by correspondents in this column.

THE MISSIONARY RESIDENCES AT FA-TEE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—A Captain correspondent informs you that a recent fire on Fa-tee has disclosed the "palatial" residences of American Missionaries, and says that these residences are probably empty. One of those "palatial" structures is a school-house, every room crowded with scholars, and one end of the building is occupied by a missionary to avoid the expense of \$10 a month living on Shamen. The other building has been occupied since the day of its completion by a missionary and his family. Both buildings were bought and paid for by the sale of old property in Canada and \$10,000 gold additional returned to the Home Board. A man who cannot discriminate a school-house from a residence and draws on his imagination for facts, is, of course, thoroughly qualified to enlighten your readers.

What he does not know about missions would make a magnificent volume.

Yours faithfully,

KWONG.

Canary, 24th January, 1892.

#### MASON'S VICTIMS.

CHINA'S JUDICIAL METHODS.

The *N. C. Daily News* of January 23rd says editorially:—

Four unfortunate Chinese who were implicated by Mr. Mason, have now been forced by protracted torture to confess that they conspired with him, and will probably lose their heads. That Mr. Mason even contemplated such a result we do not believe, but he has done it. Is it impossible for our authorities to intercede for these poor men? One of them, the head road cooler, is a poor ignorant countryman, who was hired to pull the weeds out of the extra-concession roads at Chinkiang, and he almost certainly does not even know what the words *Ko-ko Hui* mean. There is little doubt that all four men are entirely innocent of any evil intention, and it is a reproach to all foreigners

that they should suffer as they have done, and have yet to do. All foreigners must be shocked at this result of Mason's criminal folly, and we are sure that all would be only glad to hear that our authorities had found some way of approaching the Provincial Government, and getting the lives of these poor victims spared.

**NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.**  
The price of gold bars has risen to a very high figure in Soochow. Silver is also scarce in the market. Some failures are expected.

A fire broke out on the 10th instant in Soochow, caused by burning joss paper. Several houses were destroyed, a boy was burned to death, an old woman lost four fingers, and a young man his leg by severe burns.

SAYS the *Sydney Bulletin*:—Now that the legal professions have been amalgamated in Victoria by Act of Parliament, the old, hard-shell barristers are taking violent steps to preserve what they call their "status." They have formed a solemn league and covenant, described by themselves as the "Bar Association of Victoria," and by other people, no doubt, as the Devil's Ring, the members of which pledge themselves to have no dealings with any solicitor who practises as a barrister as provided by the Act, and not to recognise or consult or associate in any capacity with any barrister who also acts as a solicitor, or who accepts briefs from any boycotted solicitor. In other words, the league is an illegal association, formed to violently abrogate an Act of Parliament, to interfere with the liberty of the subject, and to intimidate men while in pursuit of their lawful calling. Under a certain Act of George IV., which is always raked up when workmen instead of barristers practise intimidation and go on the boycott, a good many leading legal authorities are now liable to be seized by the police and sent to break road-metal in Pentridge, and doubtless that code which hits the rich and the poor alike will look after them promptly.

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WOODYEAR'S  
MAMMOTH  
CIRCUS.



A SERIOUS WORD.

THE PROPRIETORS of this  
CIRCUS thank the public for their  
kind attendance on Saturday and  
Monday nights. Our Mammoth Tent  
was crowded and the audience was  
enthusiastic in the applause given to  
each and all of our artists. Our show  
is a success,

A BIG SUCCESS,  
and we shall try and deserve the  
patronage we receive.

BEWARE OF SLANDERERS.

Our show has been in the East for  
years; we have lived and have spent  
our money liberally. In the cities where  
we have earned our living.

In all this time we have never found  
it necessary to make slanderous attacks  
upon rivals in our business. We don't  
believe in blackguarding others.

"LIVE AND LET LIVE"

is our motto. Besides, our show speaks  
for itself. A really strong Circus has  
no need to run down others. If it is  
really and truly good it will draw the  
public upon its merits. Our show is  
really good, hence we draw the public.  
We do not claim to be the Barnum of  
the East. Barnum in his early days  
was a great humbug, yet with considerable  
merit; most of his imitators are,  
all humbug and possess no merit.

There is no humbug in our show,

IT IS ALL GOOD.

We don't use the name of Barnum or  
Chiarini or other showmen to draw the  
public to our tents. We stand on our  
own merits and don't shine by the light  
of other people. In the Circus business  
talent and not numbers count. Thirty  
good performers can give a  
better show than many "supers" and a  
lot of

CATTLE DRIVERS

with long hair in lieu of talent. The  
real strength of a Company soon  
becomes known to the public, who will  
not accept brazen advertisements in  
place of ability.

COME AND SEE US AND JUDGE  
FOR YOURSELF.

We fear no honest rivals and Slanderous  
ones we despise.

WHERE THEY ARE SURE OF  
THEIR SALARIES.

Look out for Prof. VALAZIE'S drop  
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GRAND REDUCTION OF PRICES.  
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